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INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK 2015 SPEECH CONTEST

The American Center and EducationUSA Advising Center of the U.S. Embassy in Hanoi invite currently enrolled Vietnamese high school and undergraduate students residing in northern Vietnam* to participate in an essay contest honoring International Education Week.

Exciting prizes include

- First Place - Apple iPod Touch**
- Second Place - Apple iPod Shuffle**
- Third Place - USB 3G Thumb Drive**

Winners will also receive certificates from the U.S. Embassy Hanoi. Shortlisted candidates will compete at the final Speech Contest on November 18, 2015.

Essay Topic and Deadline

"In a world that is changing faster and becoming more interconnected than ever before, education more so than ever before, is the ladder of opportunity for people all across the planet".
-- Secretary of State John Kerry --

Topic: *How do you imagine technology will effect education in the next 20 years?*

Your essay should include 2 – 3 main ideas with maximum of 300 words. You are free to express any ideas of your own; here are just some suggestions for you to get started:

- How will technology improve access to education for all?
- How will technology connect students worldwide?
- What new educational gadgets will be invented?

Deadline: Sunday, November 8, 2015 Midnight



A joint initiative of the U.S. Departments of State and Education, International Education Week (IEW) aims to promote international understanding and build support for international educational exchange.

Essay Format and How to Submit

- Typed in Microsoft Word, Times New Roman, font size 12.
- Word Count: 300 words maximum
- Submit your essay online at: <https://goo.gl/I9gFsR>

Contest Guidelines and Regulations

- Contest participation is free of charge.
- The decisions of the judges are final.
- All entries must be written in English and edited by the named participant, without assistance from others.
- Essays exceeding 300 words will be disqualified.
- Points will be awarded for originality, clarity, appropriate language use, effectiveness of argument and relevance to the topic.

The U.S. Embassy is not responsible for late, lost, misdirected, incomplete, or illegible email or for any computer-related, or technical malfunctions that may occur in the submission process.

- Submissions are considered void if illegible, incomplete, damaged, altered, counterfeit, produced in error, or obtained through fraud, theft or plagiarism.
- By participating in this contest, the winner grants the Embassy permission to use, copy, or quote from his/her essay in promotion materials related to International Education Week with attribution but without further compensation.

* Only currently enrolled high school students (grades 10, 11, 12) and undergraduate students from northern Vietnam are eligible. For the purposes of this competition, northern Vietnam includes Quang Tri and all of the provinces north of Quang Tri.

**Final Speech Contest and Awards Ceremony
will take place on November 18, 2015.**